



David Rathel

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Personal

Full name: David Mark Rathel
Family: My wife is April Rathel. Our daughter is Sophia Grace.
Ordination: Licenced and Ordained at Westville Baptist Church in 2003
Pre-Accredited for ministry with the Baptist Union of Scotland in 2018

Education

2018: The University of St Andrews, Scotland
Ph.D. in Divinity (Anticipated Completion in Summer 2018)

2012: Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
Master of Theology with Thesis

2008: Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
Master of Divinity in Apologetics with Biblical Languages

2004: The Baptist College of Florida
Bachelor of Arts in Theology

Ministry Experience

2014–Present: Scottish Baptist Lay Preachers Association
Itinerant Minister

- Provide pulpit supply and interim pastoral care for churches across Scotland
- Serve on the preaching team and have participated in the leadership meetings of St Andrews Baptist Church in St Andrews, Scotland

2008–14: Fork Baptist Church in Scottsburg, Virginia
Senior Pastor

- Led the church through the updating of its constitution and bylaws
- Established a new international missions partnership in South America by planning and leading a series of mission trips to Uruguay
- Started new church planting partnerships with minority congregations in Washington, D.C. and Charlottesville, Virginia

2002–05: Westville Baptist Church in Westville, Florida
Pastor

- Supervised the creation of new ministries for children

- Led the creation of new evangelistic programs in the church's community

2000–05: Missions Adventure Camp of the Florida Baptist Convention
Camp Pastor, Camp Missionary, and Camp Counselor

- Provided pastoral care to college students who served as camp counselors
- Preached regularly to children, teenagers, and college students
- Led studies of international mission work

International Missions Experience

2000–Present: Participated in 10 short-term, international mission trips, three of which I organized and led

Leadership Experience

2012–14: SBC of Virginia
Member of Executive Board
Chairperson of Media Committee

2012–14: Dan River Baptist Association
Chairperson of Missions and Evangelism Committee
Vice-President of Pastor's Conference

Other

2014–Present: I have authored a book that relates church life to contemporary evangelism strategies. I have also authored articles and offered presentations on topics related to Christian theology, pastoral ministry, and church history.

A full list of references is available upon request.